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## MINUTES OF THE MID-WINTER EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

MARCH 9-10, 1957, Chicago, Illinois

Executive Committee members present: George A. Kelly, Anne Roe, John E. Bell, Sol L. Garfield, Florence C. Halpern, Robert R. Holt, Samuel B. Kutash, Robert E. Watson and Ivan N. Mensh.

Drs. Bert Kaplan for National Research Council's proposal to develop a new channel for publishing research materials, Herman B. Molish for the Ad Hoc Committee on a Conference on Research in Psychotherapy, and Ralph W. Heine for the Committee on Regional Post-Doctoral Institutes, reported to the Executive Committee. Also reviewed during the two days were reports from the following committees: Auditing, Awards, Diagnostic Devices, Membership, Membership Standards, Nominations and Elections, Professional Practice, Program, and Research.

Auditing: The Secretary-Treasurer recommended that the office be assigned to two Division Fellows, a Secretary and a Treasurer, to relieve the burden on the Secy-Treas. EC voted to defer this action since this would require a constitutional amendment to the By-Laws, pending preparation of a Handbook on Division Finances to assist in the bookkeeping and accounting of Division funds. The report of the Auditing Committee was received with thanks to Drs. A. L. Hunsicker, Chairman, and Rex M. Collier. To assist in the auditing of the Division's accounts, EC recommended that the chairman or other member of the Auditing Committee be appointed in the same city as the Secy and be authorized to conduct monthly audits, in addition to the usual semi-annual audits. Further, the Secy was instructed to prepare with Dr. Collier the Handbook on Division Finances including policy recommendations on financial relationships between the General Fund and the PDI account, and to present this for EC action at the September meeting. At the recommendation of Secy, EC also voted to authorize the consolidation of the General Funds and the PDI account into a single account, with the two accounts kept separately in the books. The state of the General Fund suggested a review of Division Finances and EC recommended a look at the Newsletter as a possible area of economy. Secy was instructed to write the Newsletter printer to obtain from him a scale of charges. Another economy may lie in a reduction in size of the EC,

possibly by no further appointments of Members-at-large. Finally, work and expenses of the Office of the Secretary suggest that a full-time secretary be assigned to the Secretary, instead of the present half-time with provision for overtime up to \$600 annually.

Awards: Copies of correspondence of the Chairman to other committee members were reviewed with interest. EC will await the formal report of the committee.

Diagnostic Devices: EC accepted the committee report with thanks and authorized committee to continue and complete the bibliographical, annotated survey of literature on the ataractic drugs; and instructed Secy to invite Drs. Newell Berry, Joseph McGovern, and Benjamin Pope to serve with Drs. Molish and Kenneth Little. Dr. Kelly reaffirmed the policy on Division functions and divisional committee responsibilities--stimulation and encouragement of activities of scientific and professional interest and significance and collating and coordinating information; rather than the primary data-gathering which has marked the activities of a number of committees.

A question was raised about the continuation of the Diagnostic Devices Committee. Dr. Kelly recommended the formation of a Standing Subcommittee of the Program Committee for annual reviews of diagnostic devices to be reported at the annual APA meetings, summarizing advances in diagnostic procedures for the current year. Another suggestion recommended a new committee title and functions--Diagnostic Procedures Committee, concerned broadly with projective and conventional psychometric instruments, and aptitude and assessment methods. Progress in clinical psychology was a further suggested title (Halpern); Committee on Psychodiagnosis suggested less restriction of the Committee functions (Bell), the encouraging of thinking about major, topical areas and an examination of the current scene for these areas, and the discouraging of direct survey functions by the committee (Watson); and the final suggestion by Dr. Kelly, approved by EC, followed. A committee was to be developed by President-Elect, Dr. Anne Roe, which each year would inform EC of the emerging issues in psychodiagnosis which affect both clinical psychology and psychology as a whole, and to make recommendation to EC for appropriate policy and action decisions. Dr. Roe added that the introduction into VA of trainees majoring in social and experimental psychology may be an example of the emergence of such issues and procedures. The Diagnostic Devices Committee also will be invited to make recommendation on its future course.

Membership: Report of Committee received with special thanks and commendation because of the difficulties faced and met. Dr. Kelly reviewed the procedure: The Committee makes recommendation to the Executive Committee on accept, defer or reject actions on application for membership. Where there are involved policy issues, the Membership Committee so advises EC and the issues are referred to the Membership Standards Committee for policy recommendations to EC. Membership Committee members may not vote ? in their evaluations, but must recommend yes, no or defer. Dr. Kelly recommended, EC approved, formation of a committee for appeal or review of applications, committee to consist of the three most recent past presidents of the Division and to pass on procedure only, due process of application and evaluation and recommendation by MC, since fact-finding is a function of MC and not of EC or the Committee on Appeals. If fact-finding is necessary and MC does not have the information, MC chairman may appoint a special subcommittee for fact-finding in contro-

versial cases. Appeals Committee rules only on procedures followed, and may recommend to EC confirming or reversing an MC decision, or referring back to the latter. Hearings may be held by the Appeals Committee. As with MC, and other divisional committees, the latter makes recommendations and acts in an advisory capacity to EC and does not make decisions on its own, which only EC may.

Experience of applicants to be counted up to January 1 which also is deadline for applications. MC also should consider possibility of joint committee with Division 17 because of overlap of clinical and counseling applicants' experiences. Policy issues raised by MC referred to Membership Standards Committee for their recommendations to EC.

Membership Standards: The report of the Committee received with thanks, and a special vote of thanks to Committee Chairman Dr. Saul B. Sells. EC recommended that the annual report of the Standards Committee incorporate in their report the recommendation re an Appeals Committee. Further, EC requested Dr. Sells and his Committee to prepare the 1957 report in the form of a Handbook on Membership Standards which can be sent to all Division members and to applicants for Division membership. Finally, the policy questions raised by the members of the Membership Committee and the Subcommittee on Associates are to be referred to the Standards Committee.

Nominations and Elections: (Report from the Secy's office)--Of the nearly 2000 members of the Division, 12 percent returned their ballots, nominating nearly 150 different candidates for the four positions to be filled (Pres., Council Repr., Member-at-Large, Sec-Treas.). The nominations have been sent to Dr. Macfarlane, Chairman of the Nominations and Elections Committee, for computation of the Hare preferences and forwarding of the results to APA Central Office.

Professional Practice: Report of committee accepted with thanks. Dr. Kelly recommended consideration of training in administrative procedures--at local, regional, state and national levels--and in independent practice, interprofessional and public relations and the broad spectrum of paraprofessional problems. This training may be carried out in Post-Doctoral Institutes, symposia at APA and other meetings, and university workshops. Dr. Kelly reviewed the shifts in orientation in clinical psychology from theory to techniques, and now to an administrative orientation, with a lack of training and of training opportunities for the administrative functions of clinical psychology.

EC recommended to the Professional Practice Committee that the latter not carry on a primary study of independent practice, since committee function is to stimulate and encourage activities, and assemble and collate information. Instead, the Committee may study independent practice by reviewing the work of Project B (Kenneth Clark), ABPS (Nathan Kohn), APA's Committee on Relations with Psychiatry, Joint Commission on Mental Health (Fill Sanford, Bill Soskin), state associations, and American Orthopsychiatric Association's Interdisciplinary Committee on Psychotherapy (Mason Mathews).

Finally, the Committee's recommendation of last fall to APA was ordered by EC to be transmitted to Central Office, as follows: At the recommendation of the Committee on Professional Practice, the Executive Committee of the Division of Clinical Psychology voted to transmit to APA an expression of the Division's interest in having the patterns and trends of professional practice assessed at the level of the profession of psychology



as a whole, as well as at the level of the clinical practitioner. We would appreciate your bringing this recommendation to the attention of the Policy and Planning Board of APA.

Research: Report received by EC with thanks. Bibliography of dissertations in clinical psychology no longer represents an exploratory project, and, though Drs. Harold Williams and Norman Garnezy will be invited to serve with Chairman Dr. Dittman for the remainder of the current year, the Committee must now examine the long-term implications of such a bibliography and prepare recommendations for action of EC. Questions to be considered include man-hours and other costs of this effort, other sources of this information (e.g., Dissertation Abstracts), value of bibliography (e.g., how many of the dissertations are published?), demand, etc.

Dr. Bert Kaplan presented to EC the proposal by a National Research Council Committee to develop a new channel for publishing research material--microfilms and microcards--and for the Division this means research data in the field of clinical psychology. Dr. Kelly asked what is the need, what are the materials, and what is the machinery? The Research Committee, on a vote in the Newsletter, may seek information from the Division membership, but there is a rapid movement toward transcripts and other records of psychotherapy. EC authorized Dr. Dittman to serve as Chairman Pro-Tem to represent the Division in discussions with Dr. Kaplan or other NRC Committee on psychotherapy materials, with Drs. Paul Berman and Julius Seeman as other members with Dr. Dittman. Drs. Kaplan and Dittman will meet the end of March and prepare recommendations for action by EC.

Ad Hoc Committee on Research Conference on Psychotherapy: EC was delighted with progress made by Committee, approved their plans as submitted, and authorized them to proceed forthwith, keeping EC informed. EC voted \$250. to the Committee for a physical meeting of the planning committee.

New and other Business: Dr. Kelly reaffirmed the policy of Divisional functions--the Division is neither a research nor a standards-making agency, is not designed to create or to enforce rules or regulations, nor does membership in any way indicate clinical competence. The Division through its committee structure is designed to stimulate and encourage clinical psychological activities in teaching, training, research, clinical practice and administration; and to assemble, collate and disseminate information. Dr. Kelly has been asked by EC to prepare a statement for the Newsletter which will make explicit the goals and functions of divisional activities.

The role of the chairman of the Subcommittee on Associate Applications was defined by Dr. Kelly as educative, primarily. The Chairman first receives the associate applications, notes on each the significant points of fact and/or policy, sends them on to the next member; and he in turn, after evaluating each application, sends them on to the Secy for the third evaluation.

EC voted to rescind the independent voting sheet by each member (cost, filing space and lack of educative possibilities argues against the independent voting, concurred in by EC and the Membership Committee's chairmen.)

Post Doctoral Institutes Policy: Dr. Heine reported a summary of the thinking of the Committee members--he was concerned to know more about Division membership

reactions and wishes re PDI, Dr. Levine questioned whether the Division should sponsor PDI, and Dr. Shoben was interested in liaison activities with other divisions. Dr. Bell suggested a survey of postgraduate instruction at all levels, and Dr. Kelly suggested that PDI Committee invite a different division of APA each year to conduct a section at PDI. For example, the Division of School Psychology has asked to share PDI facilities, but not for a joint Institute with Division 12; and SPSSI may have a representative on both the Division's PDI and PDI Policy Committees.

Newsletter: Dr. Elizabeth Baker Wolf recommended as Executive Editor and to be invited by President, Dr. Kelly, to serve with him on Editorial Board, and to attend the Executive Committee meetings on invitation from EC. Editorial Board to consider possible economies by 1) reducing number of pages and/or issues, 2) format changes, and 3) mailing procedure changes. Secy to request schedule of charges from printer, Mr. Anker.

Ad Hoc Committee of Department Chairmen's Report to Education and Training Board: Moved and seconded unanimously that Dr. Kelly write Dr. Kenneth Clark of the E. & T. Board that the Executive Committee of the Division of Clinical Psychology unanimously and heartily affirms the principle of evaluation and accreditation by an agency of the American Psychological Association, and endorses the accomplishments of the Board and its Committee on Evaluation. Further, we affirm our conviction that evaluation and accreditation can continue to respond to the changing and increasing demands for psychological services in our society.

Psychotherapy Committee: We plan to prepare a complete report on the training in psychotherapy provided by approved Clinical and Counselling University Training Programs, based on the questionnaire we prepared and distributed last year. A preliminary report was published in the Newsletter. This full report should be presented to the membership through the American Psychologist.

Secondly we should like to conduct a symposium on Training in Psychotherapy at APA meetings, which should serve as the basis for considering the need to have a more extensive discussion on this subject. We need to discuss among ourselves the best methods to be used for teaching psychotherapy, problems in the selection of students, problems in sequence of experience, problems in the types of experience, etc.

Research Committee: Communication problems being what they have been your committee has not got as far in its planning as it did by this time last year. After the addition of Dr. Raush, we have met and made plans. The following recommendations grew out of that meeting.

1. The bibliography of Ph.D. Dissertations: Last year, it was decided to prepare a smaller number of copies of the bibliography than would be required for full division distribution, partly to lower the cost to the division, partly as a test of its popularity. Copies were sent routinely to participating departments, the remainder were kept on file awaiting requests in answer to a piece in the Newsletter. We expected, say 50 requests, and got around 300. Thus it seems worthwhile to continue the job.

Last year the costs to the Division were \$78.00, but part of the expenses were carried by volunteer work on the part of VA trainees in Washington. None of the

present committee has direct contact with such a source of volunteers, and we are now inquiring into the cost of doing it completely commercially. Before results are in we estimate something in the order of \$100.00.

2. The committee feels that one function it can serve is to recommend research-oriented or research-stimulating ideas for the annual meeting. One such idea follows.

The Division--or perhaps the Association--invite an international figure to address the division, provide him with two discussants, and make the meeting altogether for an entire morning or afternoon. The purpose is twofold: (a) to develop relationships with research figures in other parts of the world, and (b) to provide a boost to the invited person and to the development in research in clinical in his country. The thought was that the person should have something to offer to stimulate research thinking, although he might not be a researcher himself, and not necessarily a clinical psychologist as we know it.

#### AN APOLOGY

In the February issue of the Newsletter there were listed the current and past chairmen of Division committees. These members have served the Division but have not been members of the Executive Committee, at least since 1950. Unfortunately, the name of Dr. Saul B. Sells was omitted from the list. Dr. Sells has served on the Advisory Committee on Associates (1953-54), Membership Committee (1954-55), Chairman of the Membership Committee (1955-56), and currently is Chairman of the Special Committee on Membership Standards. The Editors and the Executive Committee regret the oversight in the February issue and take this opportunity to express our appreciation to Dr. Sells for his services to the Division.

#### MEMBERSHIP PROCEDURES AND STATISTICS

The Membership Committee and the Sub-Committee on Associates have acted on 77 applications for Fellow and 179 applications for Associate, and currently are making their recommendations to the Executive Committee. The March issue of the American Psychologist listed the Fellow candidates, but this list does not include the names of candidates whose applications were deferred on recommendations of previous committees, since it is APA policy to list the names of applicants only one time, on the occasion of the initial application for Fellow status.

The membership committees recommend acceptance, rejection or deferral of applications to the Executive Committee which then reviews the recommendations and orders printed in the August Newsletter the list of successful applicants for membership. Fellows must also be approved by APA Central Office. Division members then have the opportunity to comment on any applicant for Division affiliation and to report their reactions to the Secretary prior to the Open Business Meeting at APA. Applicants who have passed through the screenings series just described then are voted on at the Annual Business Meeting, and are notified by mail after the close of APA. At this time, applicants who have not been accepted, or whose application have been deferred, also are notified. An Appeals Committee action is available to these latter as indicated in the Minutes.

In the first quarter of 1957, following the deadline of January 1 for 1957 applicants, there have been received in the Secretary's Office 67 requests for Fellow or Associate application forms. These will be acted upon in 1958.

### COMMITTEE STRUCTURE

The Executive Committee authorized the following committees for 1957-58. Their composition will be announced in forthcoming issues of the Newsletter as members accept the invitations to serve in these division activities.

Committee on Interdivisional Relations	Auditing Committee
Developmental      Clinical	
Educational      School	Membership Committee
Counseling	
	Sub-Committee on Associates
Committee on Current Developments	Committee on Public Service
Psychodiagnostics	
Psychotherapy	Newsletter Editorial Board
Training	
Research	Committee on Relations with Pediatrics
Committee on Professional Practice	
	Committee on Post Doctoral Institutes
Committee on Nominations and Elections	

### APA PROGRAM COMMITTEE

The Program Committee reports the following statistics:

Papers received		131
Accepted, for summarized	94	
other	12	106
Symposia received		22
Symposia accepted		18
Round tables		1
Topical Discussion Groups		3

Only one author asked that his paper not be scheduled for presentation at a summarized paper session. Your committee has filled out a blue schedule card for each participant (author, co-author, chairman, etc.) in the program. After these are checked at APA to insure no double scheduling, etc., they will be mailed to participants. If your card reads Summarized papers, you will be expected to present the gist of your paper in five minutes, and to have ready for distribution at the meeting, 100 copies of it in full. Following that session, a room will be assigned you in which you can meet with any of the audience who wish to discuss the paper with you or with each other.

Many more suggestions for topical discussion groups were received than have been scheduled. Most were covered by symposia or papers, or were too specific for general discussion topics.



## PRIMARY RECORDS PUBLICATION

The Committee on Primary Records of the Division of Anthropology and Psychology of the National Academy of Sciences of the National Research Council has been making a survey of making generally available the primary records of studies in anthropology and psychology so that the greatest use may be made of this material. The advantages to the researcher are obvious, since many materials cannot be exploited to their fullest by any one investigator, or are so expensive to collect that they should be made available to researchers who do not have the facilities to collect them. For any one large body of data coming out of one research center the problem is relatively simple: a number of publishers are now in a position to reproduce these materials on microfilm or microcards. For areas of research where there have been a number of investigators each collecting smaller amounts of data some central agency or person is needed to put the material together. An example of this process in anthropology is a recently published volume on microcards by the Microcard Foundation, an affiliate of the University of Wisconsin Press. Titled Primary Records in Culture and Personality, and edited by Bert Kaplan, it contains the original data of studies of non-literate and non-Western societies, such as projective test protocols and life histories. There are 25 contributions comprising 3800 pages, printed on fewer than 200 3 x 5 cards, and the whole sells for \$35.00. The Research Committee of Division 12 asks members to submit ideas for areas in clinical psychology which would lend themselves to this sort of publication. What sorts of difficult to-collect research data would you like to have to help you in the research that you are doing? Write to Allen T. Dittmann, National Institute of Mental Health, Bethesda 14, Maryland.

## THE POST-DOCTORAL TRAINING INSTITUTE 1957

Sponsored by the Division of Clinical Psychology  
of the American Psychological Association

To be conducted at the New York University College of Medicine  
550 First Avenue, New York, August 20 - 28.

LEON GOLDENSOHN, M.D. (William Alanson White Institute, New York)

The Psychoanalytic Treatment of Psychosomatic Disorders

JOHN FRANCIS FARESE, Ph.D. (Applied Science Representative of IBM, Houston, Texas)

Research Design with Special Emphasis on the Creative Application of  
Electronic Data Processing in Psychological Research

MURRAY JARVIK, M.D., Ph.D. (Albert Einstein College of Medicine, New York)

Psychopharmacology

ZYGMUNT PIOTROWSKI, Ph.D. (Institute of Psychiatry, Princeton)

Advanced Workshop in Rorschach



APPLICATION will be welcomed from all members of the American Psychological Association who hold either the doctorate or are Diplomates of ABEPP.

TUITION is \$50.00 payable in advance except by special arrangement with a sponsoring agency. Full tuition will be refunded if an application is not accepted or if an accepted student must cancel his registration.

HOUSING is available in the new university dormitories. Single rooms will cost \$36 for nine nights, and double rooms will cost \$27 per person. There are some suites available consisting of a bedroom and living-room, and the rates for these suites are \$108 for double occupancy, and \$72 for single occupancy. While there are washing facilities in each of the rooms, there are common lavatories and showers for all, except the suites, which have private accommodations. Meals will be available at the College. They are cafeteria style, moderately priced, and the students will pay only for those meals which they take. Protected parking is available providing the student writes, at least a week in advance, to Dr. Bernard Locke, and requests a permit for a private vehicle. The dormitory is located on 30th Street between First Avenue and the East River.

ADDRESS Completed applications and inquiries to: Dr. Bernard Locke, Chairman  
Committee for Post-Doctoral Institute  
VA Hospital  
408 First Avenue  
New York 10, New York



APPLICATION FOR ADMISSION TO THE POST-DOCTORAL TRAINING INSTITUTES 1957

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

I am \_\_\_\_\_  
a Fellow ( )  
I am an Associate ( ) of Division (s) \_\_\_\_\_

Highest degree in Psychology \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_ from (institution) \_\_\_\_\_

Indicate the courses for which you are applying: Offer your second and third preference in addition to your first choice.

1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_

NOTE: On a separate sheet please indicate your particular areas of interest and the way in which you believe this participation in the institute of your choice would contribute to your professional development. These statements will be turned over to the group leader for orientation purposes.

Present professional position.

1. Title \_\_\_\_\_
2. Name and nature of the organization \_\_\_\_\_
3. Describe the work performed \_\_\_\_\_

Describe your previous professional experience in psychology during the last five years.

Check for \$50.00 enclosed \_\_\_\_\_. \* Tuition to be paid by: \_\_\_\_\_ \*\*  
(Institution or Agency)

I will ( ): I will not ( ) require hotel accommodations on campus.

Date \_\_\_\_\_ Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Return to: Dr. Bernard Locke, Chairman  
Post-Doctoral Institute Committee  
VA Hospital  
408 First Avenue  
New York 10, New York

\* Checks should be made payable to the Division of Clinical Psychology. All money will be refunded if an applicant is not accepted.

\*\* Institutions or agencies may pay tuition following completion of the Institute if a letter of commitment is submitted in advance to Dr. Locke.





